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stands little chance of getting more shell orders from England until she catches up. One reason for the delay was no time fuses, the other exigencies of the patronage list which did not look with favor on any shell makers but conservative ones. As afterwards pointed out by Mr. Carvell, of the Canadian General Electric Company, which at the very start of the war had offered to produce 100,000 shells a month, was turned down because its party complexion was not right and even now it can boast of nothing but a measly order for twenty-five thousand shells. Meanwhile the old Shell Committee was handing it out gaily to its friends and whenever a case of doubt arose helping itself to contracts at anywhere from one hundred to three hundred per cent. profit. More than that—although Sir Sam gives this a vague denial—it included in the price the twenty-four cents royalty per shell to the firm of Krupp and this aided and comforted the enemy to the extent of seven hundred thousand dollars.

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CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session on behalf of the City of Prince Rupert for an Act containing provisions which are shortly stated as follows:—

(1) To authorize the changing debentures issuable under the bylaw in this clause mentioned, from the Sinking Fund plan to Annuity Instalment or Serial Bonds and the terms of years as herein stated:

No.	Bylaw and Object	Amount	Term of years.
97	Local Improvement Section 1	\$600,000	50 30
59	Hydro Electric	550,000	50 30
63	Government Debt	115,000	50 30
11	Telephone Plant	40,000	20 10
29	Electric Light Plant	66,000	15 10

and authorising the collection of instalments under such bonds with power to sell such bonds at a discount, and to use the Sinking Funds already collected towards reducing the debt; and power to raise any deficiency on sale of bonds by the issue of further bonds. Such changes to be made without submission to the ratepayers.

(2) Validating Bylaw No. 243 of said City; being "a bylaw for the purpose of authorising the renewal of certain treasury certificates and for issuing an additional amount of such certificates," and authorising the issue of bonds on the said Annuity Instalment or Serial plan for the \$100,000 mentioned in Bylaw 243 for n of more than 30 years and also to ratify Bylaw 245, relating to such debentures; both without submission to the ratepayers.

(3) To provide for temporarily financing all said bonds by authorising the issue, renewal or reissue of temporary notes for not more than five (5) years from the date of such issue, renewal or reissue, pending the sale of the bonds heretofore mentioned and making provision for the payment of any loss which may be made on the sale of such temporary notes, renewals or reissue thereof.

(4) To provide for collecting instalments both for principal and interest before bonds have actually been sold. Such instalments so far as principal is concerned to be applied to reduce amount of treasury certificates or temporary notes then outstanding or to be issued.

(5) To provide for similar changes with regard to the following Bylaws, the debentures authorised by which have been hypothecated to the Bank of Montreal; but only with the consent of such Bank.

Bylaw.	Object	Amount	Term of years.
158	Section One Improvement	\$140,000.00	49 30
140	Change of Grade 2nd Ave.	7,437	50 20
148	Grading Lanes	29,000.00	50 20
156	Grading 8th Avenue	25,000.00	50 20

(6) To provide that securities to be issued under the following bylaws, under none of which any securities have as yet been issued, Annuity Instalment or Serial bonds may be issued and such bonds to be for the term here set forth, namely:

Bylaw.	Object	Amount	Term of years.
180	Morse Creek Bridge	\$ 35,000	50 30
181	General Sewer System	350,000	50 30
182	Grading Fulton Street	12,000	40 20
183	Grading City Property, 2nd Ave.	46,000	40 30
207	Electric Pole Line Extens.	45,000	20 15
209	Telephone System Extension	60,000	20 15

with power to use the sinking funds heretofore accumulated to reduce the debt when incurred, and further, to cease collecting further sinking fund, and to provide for the collection of full instalments for total principal on each said bylaw from the commencement of the work authorised. The application of such instalments to reduce the amount of bonds required to be issued.

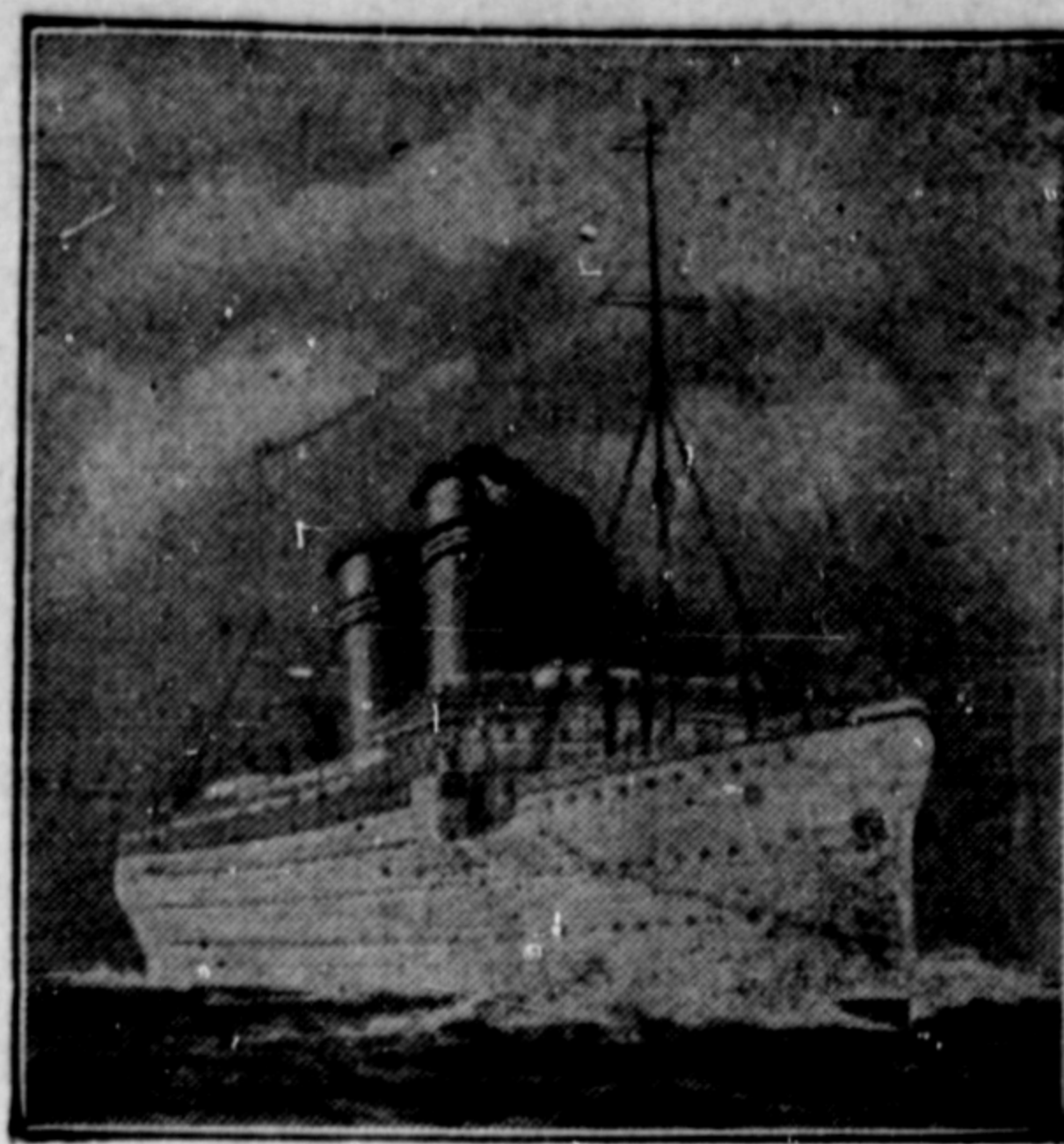
(7) To provide that no further sinking fund shall be collected under Bylaw No. 208; being "The water Main Extension Bylaw" except sufficient to pay off \$20,000 of debentures already sold thereunder, and providing for the issue of Annuity instalment, or Serial bonds, term twenty (20) years, for the balance of the debt, namely; \$130,000, and for the use of the sinking fund already collected under said bylaw, except the part applicable to the \$20,000 already issued; to reduce the said amount of \$130,000 bonds when issued.

(8) As to Bylaws Nos. 144 and 241 relating to Market Place grading: Power to change the debentures authorised thereby from Sinking fund plan to Annuity Instalment, or Serial bonds at thirty (30) years, and to use the sinking fund already collected to purchase bonds to be issued thereunder, and to cease collection of further sinking fund.

(9) To provide for raising a reserve fund to ensure prompt payment of annual instalments to the amount of \$50,000 for present authorised indebtedness, and \$20,000 for every additional \$1,000,000.

(10) Providing that it shall not be necessary to submit to the ratepayers any bylaw making the change from sinking fund debentures to Annuity instalment or Serial bonds or changing the term of years, or the issue of new bonds to meet loss on sale of bonds or temporary notes.

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- 3.—What will my wife receive during my absence? Every month there will be paid her a separation allowance of \$20 (also part of your pay) and if this be not enough to comfortably maintain your family, the Canadian Patriotic Fund will further assist them.
- 4.—What will happen if I am wounded or sick? You will be cared for by the Government and your pay continued until you are discharged. If you are permanently disabled an allowance will be paid you, varying according to the extent of your injury or disability.
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